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In re Application of :  
Ould-Brahim, Wright, and Gleeson :  
Application No. 09/902,683 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS  
Filed: 12 July, 2001 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
Attorney Docket No. 71493-1004 /jlo:

This is in response to the petition filed under 37 CFR 1.47(a) on 28 November, 2001.

The petition is GRANTED.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor, Bryan Gleeson, has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the affidavit of Stuart Mark Budd establishes that the non-signing inventor was sent a copy of the application but failed to sign and return the declaration. Additionally, Mr. Budd attempted to contact the non-signing inventor by phone, but was unable to obtain a phone number for him.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the

address given in the declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 703-308-6918.



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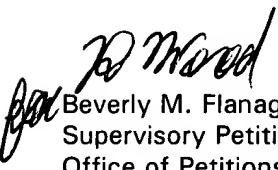
In re Application of  
Ould-Brahim et al.  
Application No. 09/902,683  
Filed: 12 July, 2001  
For: PIGGYBACKING VPN INFORMATION IN BGP FOR NETWORK BASED VPN ARCHITECTURES

Dear Mr. Gleeson:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at 703/308-6918. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at 703/308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at 703/308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

  
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